GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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CULTIVATION OF MEDICINAL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any schemes for the cultivation, protection and development of medicinal plants in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance provided by the Government to different States for the implementation of these schemes during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Medicinal Plants Board has introduced Promotional and Commercial schemes for development of medicinal plants which include their cultivation and protection (conservation).

(c) The Board has funded various schemes during last 3 years. The assistance provided is as under:

Year	All States	Maharashtra
2000-01	0.935 crores	0.108 crores
2001-02	9.97 crores	0.508 crores
2002-03	14.19 crores	0.37 crores